

REMARKS

The Official Action of July 28, 2005, and the prior art cited and relied upon therein have been carefully studied. The claims in the application are now claims 15-19 and 21-22, and these claims define patentable subject matter warranting their allowance. Favorable reconsideration and such allowance are respectfully urged.

Claim 20 has been canceled. Claims 15-19 and 21-22 remain in the application for consideration.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for her indication that claim 22 has been allowed, that claims 15-18 would be allowable subject to overcoming the Examiner's 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph rejection, and that claim 20 would be allowable subject to being rewritten in independent form.

In response, Applicant has amended claim 15 as suggested by the Examiner to overcome her 35 U.S.C. §112 rejection, and amended claim 19 to include the allowable features of claim 20. Accordingly, applicant respectfully submits that claims 15-19 and 22 are now allowable. Applicant further notes that while the Examiner has rejected claim 21 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Vu Khac '942, as claim 21 is dependent under allowable claim 15, it is also allowable and not subject to the rejection under Vu Khac '947.

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Therefore, Applicant submits that claims 15-19 and 22 are allowable along with claim 21, and that this application is now on condition for allowance.

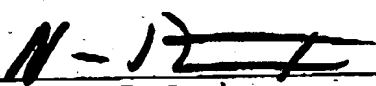
The prior art documents made of record and not relied upon have been noted along with the implication that such documents are deemed by the PTO to be insufficiently pertinent to warrant their applications against any of applicant's claims.

Favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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